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(d) A formal appeal must contain a description of the decision or action being appealed and the appellant's reason(s) why the decision or action should be set aside or revised.

(e) When considering an appeal, the Commandant or a District Commander may stay the effect of a decision or action being appealed pending determination of the appeal.

(f) While a request for reconsideration or review or a formal appeal is pending, the original decision or action remains in effect, unless otherwise stayed under paragraph (e) of this section.

(g) The Commandant may delegate authority to act on administrative appeals under this subpart to the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, and appropriate office chiefs within Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

(h) Formal appeals made to the Commandant shall be addressed to:

(1) Commandant (G-MOC) for appeals involving vessel inspection issues, load line issues, and vessel manning issues;

(2) Commandant (G-MS) for appeals involving vessel plan review or tonnage measurement issues;

(3) Commandant (CG-3PC) for all appeals involving suspension or withdrawal of course approvals, all marine personnel issues appealed from the National Maritime Center or from an OCMI through a District Commander, and all appeals regarding the documentation of a vessel under part 67 or part 68 of this title. All appeals regarding the documentation of a vessel under part 67 or part 68 of this title must be addressed to Commandant CG-3PC(d), Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second St., SW, Washington, DC 20593, and a copy of each such appeal must be sent to the National Vessel Documentation Center, 792 T J Jackson Drive, Falling Waters, WV 25419;

(4) Commandant (G-PSE), for appeals involving the recognition of a classification society; or

(5) Commandant (G-M) for appeals involving decisions or actions of the Director, Great Lakes Pilotage.

(i) Failure to submit a formal appeal in accordance with the procedures and time limits contained in this subpart

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results in the decision or action becoming final agency action.

(j) Any decision made by the Commandant, or by the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, or by an office chief pursuant to authority delegated by the Commandant is final agency action on the appeal.

[CGD 88-033, 54 FR 50376, Dec. 6, 1989, as amended by CGD 89-007, CGD 89-007a, 58 FR 60265, Nov. 15, 1993; CGD 96-041, 61 FR 50725, Sept. 27, 1996; CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51040, Sept. 30, 1997; CGD 95-010, 62 FR 67532, Dec. 24, 1997; USCG-1998-4442, 63 FR 52188, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG-1999-6216, 64 FR 53222, Oct. 1, 1999; USCG-2000-7790, 65 FR 58457, Sept. 29, 2000; USCG-2001-8894, 66 FR 31844, June 13, 2001; USCG 2003-15137, 68 FR 37093, June 23, 2003; USCG 2006-25535, 71 FR 48482, Aug. 21, 2006; USCG-2006-25535, 72 FR 7930, Feb. 22, 2007]

§ 1.03-20 Appeals from decisions or actions of an OCMI.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action of an OCMI may, after requesting reconsideration of the decision or action by the cognizant OCMI, make a formal appeal of that decision or action, via the office of the cognizant OCMI, to the District Commander of the district in which the office of the cognizant OCMI is located, or in the case of the Officer in Charge, Activities Europe, to the Atlantic Area Commander, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart.

[USCG-2006-24520, 71 FR 35818, June 22, 2006]

§ 1.03-25 Appeals from decisions or actions of a District Commander.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action of a District Commander made pursuant to § 1.03-20 of this subpart, may make a formal appeal of that decision or action, via the office of the cognizant District Commander, to the Commandant, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart.

§ 1.03-30 Appeals from decisions or actions of the Marine Safety Center.

(a) Any person directly affected by a decision or action of the Marine Safety Center involving tonnage measurement or which otherwise affects a new vessel or plans for a vessel to be built may, after requesting reconsideration of the

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decision or action by the Commanding Officer, Marine Safety Center, make a formal appeal, of that decision or action, via the Commanding Officer, Marine Safety Center, to the Commandant, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart.

(b) Any person directly affected by a decision or action of the Marine Safety Center not involving tonnage measurement but which otherwise affects an existing vessel, prior to initiating a formal appeal, must request review of that decision or action by the cognizant OCMI. Following review by the cognizant OCMI, the decision or action under review may be appealed to the District Commander, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-20 of this subpart.

[CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51040, Sept. 30, 1997, as amended by USCG-1998-4442, 63 FR 52188, Sept. 30, 1998]

§ 1.03-35 Appeals from decisions or actions of a recognized classification society acting on behalf of the Coast Guard.

(a) Any person directly affected by a decision or action of a recognized classification society performing plan review, tonnage measurement, or load line assignment on behalf of the Coast Guard may, after requesting reconsideration of the decision or action by the classification society, make a formal appeal, via the classification society headquarters, to the Commandant, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart.

(b) Any person directly affected by a decision or action of a recognized classification society acting as a marine inspector, as defined in § 30.10-43 of this chapter, on behalf of the Coast Guard, prior to initiating a formal appeal, must request review of that decision or action by the cognizant OCMI. Following review by the cognizant OCMI, the decision or action under review may be appealed to the District Commander, in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-20 of this subpart.

[CGD 88-033, 54 FR 50376, Dec. 6, 1989, as amended by CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51041, Sept. 30, 1997]

§ 1.03-40 Appeals from decisions or actions of the National Maritime Center.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action of an officer or employee of the National Maritime Center (NMC) involving any of the marine safety functions listed in § 1.01-15(c) of this subpart may, after requesting reconsideration of the decision or action by the NMC, make a formal appeal of that decision or action, via the NMC, to the Director of Inspection and Compliance, Commandant (G-PC), in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart. The decision of the Director of Inspection and Compliance, Commandant (G-PC), on such an appeal will constitute final agency action.

[USCG-2006-25535, 71 FR 48482, Aug. 21, 2006. Redesignated by USCG-2006-25535, 72 FR 7930, Feb. 22, 2007]

§ 1.03-45 Appeals from decisions or actions involving documentation of vessels.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action of an officer or employee of the Coast Guard acting on or in regard to the documentation of a vessel under part 67 or part 68 of this title, may make a formal appeal of that decision or action to the Director of Inspection and Compliance, Commandant (CG-3PC), in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart. The decision of the Director of Inspection and Compliance, Commandant (CG-3PC), on such an appeal will constitute final agency action.

[USCG-2006-25535, 72 FR 7930, Feb. 22, 2007]

§ 1.03-50 Appeals from decisions or actions of the Director, Great Lakes Pilotage.

Any person directly affected by a decision or action of the Director, Great Lakes Pilotage, may make a formal appeal of that decision or action to Commandant (G-M), in accordance with the procedures contained in § 1.03-15 of this subpart.

[USCG 2003-15137, 68 FR 37093, June 23, 2003]